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MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

PART 1 -- GENERAL

101. THE FOLLOWING PENCIL CHANGE WILL BE MADE TO THE USPFO SOP. a. Page 5-11, paragraph 517a, 3rd line after DA Form 2970. Add the following sentence -

This form must be submitted through command channels.

102. PENDING SURCHARGES AND PROHIBITIONS ON NONSTANDARD OFFICIAL MAIL.

a. The new minimum-size mail standards which were to be effective 30 Nov 78, have been postponed by USPS. Implementation of the new minimum-size mail standards will now become effective sometime in March or April 79.

b. The new effective date will also be the date of implementation of the surcharge for oversized mail. The surcharge rate has not been determined at this time.

PART 2 -- PERSONNEL

201. REQUIREMENT FOR NOMINATION OF ARNGUS OFFICER FOR ADT TOUR.

a. Requirement exists for qualified Officers for assignment as ARNG unit readiness ADVR, HQ Forcicom, Ft McPherson, GA.

b. The Officer selected will be ordered to ADT under the provision of section 672 (D), Title 10, USC. The normal tour of duty is two years, unless sooner RSG.

c. Nominees should be advised that their nomination does not constitute final selection and plans for entry on ADT should not be made until final notification.

d. Brief job description:

(1) Overall coordination of all actions concerning receipt, processing and distribution of ARNG readiness reports.

(2) Code files to group units by deployment/contingency packages.

(3) Design hard copy computer printouts displaying readiness data and summary data.

(4) Monitor programming effort to develop desired printouts.

(5) Oversee updating of incoming readiness reports, contact installations, conusa, or NGB to resolve errors and input corrections.

e. It is required that the most qualified officer who meets the prerequisites and who will be available for duty ASAP, be nominated to be chief, NGB, NLT 30 Jan 79.

f. Prerequisites are:

(1) LTC.

- (2) MDR no earlier than 1 July 78
- (3) Active ARNG Officer not on AD (other than statutory/ADT tour) at time of Application.
- (4) Must possess a comprehensive knowledge of ARNG organization and OP, Possess command and/or Staff at BN or higher level.
- (5) C&GSC Graduate
- (6) Requirement for waivers must be justified
- (7) Baccalaureate Degree (desirable)
- (8) Type A Medical exam must have been complete within one year prior to start of tour.
- (9) Secret or higher SCTY CLNC (mandatory)

g. Each nomination must be accompanied by:

- (1) Complete NGB form 34. Amend item 8 to read mandatory removal date
- (2) Copy of updated DA form 2-1
- (3) Copy of SF 88 & 93
- (4) Recent full length photo of nominee in class A Uniform at least 3 by 5 inches
- (5) Certificate from state AG concerning following to be included in nomination LTR:

- (a) SCTY CLNC information in item 11, NGB form 34.
- (b) Mandatory removal date at item 8 of NGB form 34.
- (c) Approximate Credit SVC toward 20 years (AD) RET

h. Require this announcement be given widest possible dissemination

i. Negative reports are not RQR.

202. REQUIREMENT FOR NOMINATION OF ARNGUS OFFICER FOR ADT TOUR. a. A RQR exists for qualified officers for assignment as ARNG plans, PLCY and TNG/Affiliation ADVR, FT Riley, KS

b. The officers selected will be ordered to ADT under the provision of section 672 (D), title 10, USC. The normal tour of duty is two years, unless sooner RSG.

c. Nominees should be advised that their nomination does not constitute final selection and plans for entry on ADT should not be made until final

notification.

d. Brief of Job Description:

- (1) Advises the Doctor on all ARNG matters.
- (2) Coordinates and conducts all pre-AT conferences for units scheduled for annual training at FT Riley.
- (3) Coordinate TNG and Equipment support provided the ARNG units
- (4) Assist Div Gs in the admin of forscom affiliation program
- (5) Coordinate adequate site support for AT & IDT conducted at FT Riley
- (6) Administer processing of the yearly TNG evaluation reports

e. It is required that the most qualified officer who meets the prerequisites and who will be available for duty on or about 1 March 79, be nominated to the Chief, NGB, NLT 12 Jan 79.

f. Prerequisites are:

- (1) LTC/MAJ
- (2) MRD no earlier than 1 Jun 81
- (3) Active ARNG officer not on AD (other than statutory/ADT tour) at time of application
- (4) Must possess a comprehensive knowledge of ARNG organization and OP, possess command and/or staff at Bn or higher level
- (5) C&GSC graduate
- (6) Baccalaureate degree (desirable)
- (7) Type A Medical exam must have been complete within one year prior to start of tour.
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PART 3 -- OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

301. GENERAL INSPECTION RATINGS. a. Effective immediately the use of overall adjectival ratings of satisfactory and unsatisfactory for units during general inspections will be discontinued.

b. The decision is based on concern for the impact of such ratings on recruiting and retention efforts.

c. The ARTEP philosophy of identifying strengths and weaknesses will be used. Inspection scope and standards will not change.

PART 4 -- SUPPLY

401. FOOD SERVICE, BASIC DAILY FOOD ALLOWANCE. a. The BDFA for the month of January 1979 has been decreased to \$3.20.

b. The maximum authorized meal purchase rates per person per day based on this BDFA are as follows:

(1) Meals served in messhalls or armories (BDFA + .50%)

Breakfast	.96
Lunch	1.92
Dinner	1.92

\$4.80 Day Total

(2) Commercially prepared meals served by contractors (enlisted personnel only) (BDFA x 3)

Breakfast	1.92
Lunch	3.84
Dinner	3.84

\$9.60 Day Total

No officers may be subsisted by a contractor at Goverment expense. Authorized civilians in a per diem status must also purchase meals from other than Government sources.

PART 5 -- FISCAL AND TRANSPORTATION

501. RECORDING OF LUMP SUM PAYMENT OF ACCRUED LEAVE. a. Personnel Financial Record (PFR) copies of Military Pay Vouchers paid 10 Feb 1976 or later, reflecting lump sum payment of accrued leave will not be destroyed. Vouchers will be placed on left side of PFR above the divider. Further disposition instructions will be issued at a later date. Other Military Pay Vouchers and Leave and Earnings Statements issued in 1976 may be destroyed after 1 January 1979. (Ref TWX Msg 121200Z Dec 78 NGB-ARC).

502. TURN-IN OF CASH MEAL PAYMENT SHEETS. a. Commanders are reminded that Cash Meal Payment Sheets (DD Form 1544) will be closed out at the end of each calendar quarter and forwarded to the USPFO to arrive NLT 10 January, 10 April, 10 July and 10 October for IDT meals paid for in the previous quarter. See paragraph 298, SOP USPFO MONT for additional information on processing of the Cash Meal Payment Sheets.

PART 6 -- MAINTENANCE

601. ANTENNA MATCHING UNIT MX-6707 a. The CSMS Signal Shop has received an abnormally high number of antenna matching units MX-6707 which have been rendered unrepairable due to excessive accumulation of internal moisture. Commanders and maintenance personnel should emphasize removing the drain hole screw in the bottom of the unit as often as necessary to insure moisture doesn't accumulate inside. Some good maintenance tips regarding care of the MX-6707 are given in PS Magazine number 312, November 78, pages 46 and 47. Approximate cost of this item is \$130.00. TAKE CARE OF IT.

602. STEERING LEVER ASSEMBLY, N3N 2510-00-2258, 5 TON TRUCKS. a. Reports received from the field indicate that in some instances the ball stud loosens in the lever. Suspect assemblies were procured under contracts DSA 700-77-X-3352 and DSA 770-75-MZF41.

b. The ball studs have tapered shanks and at time of production are pressed into lever by application of twelve tons of pressure at which time the ball stud end is mushroomed securing it in place against the lever arm. During the monthly preventive maintenance checks and services (PMCS) manually check tie rods and ends for looseness or damage. If the steering ball studs are loose or do not protrude through lever a minimum of one sixteenth of an inch the steering lever assembly must be replaced. No repair is authorized. Steering lever assemblies procured under above mentioned contracts will not be used. They will be returned to supply pending disposition instructions and a Quality Deficiency Report (QDR) prepared and forwarded to TARCOM, ATTN: DRSTA-QR

c. Steering lever assembly repair data contained in paragraph 2-13a of TB 43-0001-39-3 dated Oct 78 is rescinded in its entirety.

PART 7 -- SAFETY

701. ARNG MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS a. From 1 Jan 1978 to 1 Sept 1978 the ARNG Experienced 244 Motor vehicle accidents resulting in 1 fatality,

and 60 disabling injuries. The cost of these accidents was \$329,643.00. in property damage and \$151,045.00 injury costs for a total cost of \$480,688.00.

b. For the same period MT ARNG Experienced 9 motor vehicle accidents resulting in 2 Injuries. The total cost of these accidents including injuries was 9,863.00.

c. This is a very noticeable increase over the same period in CY 77 both National and Statewide. The above figures indicate MT ARNG is above the National Average also.

d. The MT ARNG Safety office Urges all motor vehicle operators to drive in a more careful manner especially now that we are in the winter driving season. The money used to pay for these Accidents could be of much benefit to the MT ARNG in other areas. Lets all Strive to make Montana accident rate the lowest in the nation.

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PART 8 -- FACILITIES AND SECURITY

PART 9 -- UNOFFICIAL

901. FEDERAL RECOGNITION. a. The following received Federal recognition:

CASE, WILLIAM J.	How Btry 2d Sqdn 163d	27 Sep 78
CLINTON, CARL E.	HHT 163d Armd Cav	11 Aug 78
EISENBART, ALLEN R.	Air Trp 163d Armd Cav	2 Nov 78
ERICKSON, LARRY R.	HHT 163d Armd Cav	15 Sep 78
HOVDE, DAVID E.	Co C 5th SF Bn 19th SF	2 Nov 78
KAAG, DONALD B. JR.	Co H 2d Sqdn 163d Armd	27 Sep 78

902. MT ARNG STRENGTH AS OF 31 Nov 78.

UNIT	OFF	WO	EM/EW	AGGR	OFF	WO	EM/EW	AGGR
St Hq & Hq Det	43	9	39	91	54	9	71	135
HHT(-) 163d AC	28	2	118	148	28	1	83	112
Air Trp (-) 163d AC	15	23	114	152	16	20	84	120
Det 1, Air Trp 163d AC	1	8	48	57	3	6	44	119
3669th Maint Co	6	6	156	168	5	6	108	119
103d PA Det	4	0	9	13	4	0	10	14
Det 1, HHT(-) 163d AC	4	24	56	84	12	16	60	88
1049th Engr (FFTG)	1	0	23	24	1	0	20	21
HHT(-) 1/163d AC	14	3	119	136	13	3	94	110
Det 1, HHT 1.163d AC	2	0	50	52	1	0	33	34
Trp A(-) 1/163d AC	3	0	74	77	3	0	50	53
Det 1, Trp A 1/163d AC	2	0	71	73	2	0	34	36
Trp B(-) 1/163d AC	2	0	43	45	1	0	31	32
Det 1, Trp B 1/163d AC	1	0	54	55	1	0	49	50
Det 2, Trp B 1/163d AC	2	0	48	50	2	0	26	28
Trp C(-) 1/163d AC	3	0	74	77	3	0	74	77

Det 1, Trp C 1/163d AC	2	0	71	73	2	0	39	41
Co D(-) 1/163d AC	3	0	47	50	3	0	28	31
Det 1, Co D 1/63d AC	2	0	40	42	2	0	19	21
How Btry (-) 1/163d AC	6	0	52	58	4	0	45	49
Det 1, HB 1/163d AC	2	0	67	69	2	0	39	41
HHT(-) 2/163d AC	14	3	119	136	13	2	102	117
Det 1, HHT 2/163d AC	2	0	50	52	2	0	30	32
Trp E(-) 2/163d AC	3	0	71	73	2	0	54	56
Det 1, Trp E 2/163d AC	2	0	71	73	1	0	48	49
Trp F(-) 2/163d AC	3	0	74	77	3	0	66	69
Det 1, Trp F 2/163d AC	2	0	71	73	2	0	62	64
Trp G(-) 2/163d AC	3	0	74	77	4	0	64	68
Det 1, Trp G 2/163d AC	2	0	71	73	2	0	55	57
Co H 2/163d AC	3	0	47	50	3	0	38	41
How Btry 2/163d AC	8	0	119	127	4	0	81	85
Det 1, Co H 2/163d AC	2	0	40	42	2	0	23	25
Co C(-) 5th SF Bn	9	0	57	66	7	0	56	63
Det 1, Co C 5th SF Bn	5	0	25	30	6	0	26	32
Command & Control Hq	7	5	55	67	6	5	15	26
TOTAL					219	68	1761	2148

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